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# SUPERFORTS FROM SAIPAN BOMB TOKYO

## United States Third Army Crosses the Saar River

### 95th Division Seizes Bridge In Quick Move

#### German Defenders Taken by Surprise

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR

PARIS, Dec. 3 (P)—The United States Third Army broke across the Saar river into the Siegfried line today after smashing all organized resistance west of the stream in Saarlaulern, sentinel city of the fortifications guarding the Saar basin's busy war industries.

The Ninety-fifth division boldly seized intact a bridge over the major river barrier. Then infantry and armored tank destroyers swept across and tackled the fringes of the West wall. The Siegfried's big guns poured artillery fire on American positions in Saarlaulern.

#### Saar Quickly Hurdled

As Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's astonishingly swift hurdle of the Saar heralded a quick opening of the battle for the Siegfried line, the United States First Army in the north lashed out with three attacks along the blood-soaked approaches to Duren, twenty miles west of Cologne.

One column, stamping out the last resistance in the factory town of Inden, crossed a bridge over the Inde, fought a mile southeast and captured Lucherberg, less than three miles from the Roer and five miles northwest of Duren.

Another force coming up from the south seized by storm the hamlet of Lucherberg and on the autobahn superhighway from Aachen to Cologne.

First Army Advances Seven miles south of Duren the First army seized the ruins of what once was the village of Brandenberg and pressed on through the woods a half-mile east to within half a mile of the Roer.

Nine miles northwest of Duren the United States Ninth Army drew up to the Roer all the way from Linnich to Jülich—two main river strongholds. This army cleared the Germans from that part of Linnich west of the river and fought bitterly to extend its hold inside Jülich.

(A BBC broadcast heard by NBC said the Ninth had taken all Jülich lying on the Roer's west bank.)

The capture of the Saar bridge was an epic of American daring.

A front dispatch said troops in assault boats crossed and seized the east end of the bridge as other forces came up from the southwest. Demolition charges were torn away before the surprised enemy could detonate them.

### Russians Criticize Army-Navy Journal

LONDON, Dec. 3 (P)—The official Communist party newspaper Pravda, in an article broadcast tonight by the Moscow radio, denounced the semi-official American Army-Navy Journal as "urgently looking" and accusing it of "supplying pro-Hitlerite journalists with material."

The article said John O'Donnell, New York Daily News columnist, had reported that military decisions made at Tehran are not being fulfilled. This, Pravda said, was untrue.

"It appears," said Pravda, "that the source of O'Donnell's inspiration is the American magazine, Army and Navy Journal, which states that the strategy worked out at Tehran has not been fulfilled. This journal looks ugly. It is a journal which should, it would seem, inspire American soldiers, but which in fact permits itself to make unworthy onslaught against the U.S.S.R. and supply pro-Hitlerite journalists with material."

### Germans Flood British Positions

LONDON, Dec. 3 (P)—The German radio said tonight that a special German commando force had blown up the lower Rhine dam southwest of Arnhem, Holland, "thus flooding the British positions over a wide area."

The radio said that the Arnhem-Nijmegen road "is flooded at four points."

American and British over-all battle casualties are about equal, 534,650 American and 563,112 British.

### Admiral Byrd Breaks Long Silence To Appeal for Help in War Effort

LONDON, Dec. 3 (P)—Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, polar explorer who staked America's claim in the Antarctic, broke a long self-imposed public silence today to pay tribute to the army's GI Joes and to urge on their behalf full production support by the folks back home for a war "a helluva way from finished."

His appeal answered the speculation, where's Byrd; back at the Suth Pole?" for he turned up, instead, on the European battlefield where he is making a study of how the tactical air forces support the fighting ground troops. This may be helpful in the Pacific theater where the admiral twice has been on aviation duty.



#### DOWN IN THE MOUTH

### Russian Column Attacked by U. S. Fighter Planes

#### Washington Sends Regrets to Moscow

By NOLAND NORGAARD

ROME, Dec. 3 (P)—American fighter planes swooping over Yugoslavia attacked a Russian column by mistake, headquarters of the Mediterranean Allied air force disclosed today.

Results of this attack last Nov. 7 on an Alay were not revealed.

An official headquarters statement declared the attack was due to an error in target identification through faulty navigation, and said that apologies had been sent to Moscow and to the commander of the Russian forces involved.

#### Official Explanation

Mediterranean Allied air force headquarters report that on November 7 a squadron of fighters from the United States Fifteenth Air Force, engaged in a strafing mission in Yugoslavia, attacked by mistake a Russian column.

"The error was entirely due to a mistake in target identification through faulty navigation."

"The incident was promptly reported by the squadron when development of gun camera film verified the error."

"The United States joint chiefs of staff from Washington expressed their deep regret to Moscow, and General Wilson, supreme Allied commander in the Mediterranean, sent a similar message to the Russian commander of the forces involved."

Seeks Closer Co-operation

A Rome dispatch last Wednesday, reporting arrival there of W. Averell Harriman, United States ambassador to Russia, said he was believed conferring with military officials on efforts to achieve closer co-operation between Soviet troops operating in the Balkans and the Allied forces based in Italy.

The dispatch, part of which was held up by censorship, said Harriman came to Rome with Lt.-Gen. Sir C. Eaker, commander of the Mediterranean Allied air force, after visiting the western front, and that "Eaker has faced the difficult task of trying to bomb Germans in Hungary and Yugoslavia, which are Russian zones of operation."

Previous Rome dispatches, reporting on the complexities of the Allied Mediterranean command to which Field Marshal Sir Harold Alexander has been elevated, said co-operation among the Russians, Yugoslavs and Allies in the Balkans was difficult inasmuch as neither the Russians nor Marshal Tito apparently wished the people to think that the western Allies were doing much to liberate the Balkans.

Since then large masses of troops—the greatest assemblage in any war—have moved against the Siegfried line. The enemy is within and behind a 500-mile system of steel and concrete.

In other wars, there was a rule-of-thumb that the loss of the attacking force was at a ratio of two or three to one for the defender. Modern battle technique has trimmed the ratio greatly, perhaps balancing the losses in some instances.

In this war (and it has been demonstrated no better than in the present western front offensive) the defending force has had high casualties. The reason is to be found in the tremendously augmented power of artillery and in the use of tactical aviation.

**Big Guns in Action**

For more than two weeks the Allies have been hurling tons of high explosives each minute into German fortifications, blasting away the outer skin, boring in and exploding the inner cells in which the Nazis seek shelter. For this reason, the army is clamoring for huge output of heavy artillery ammunition. The more artillery shells fired, the fewer the American lives required for the advance.

**Confers with President**

Although Wallace campaigned actively for a fourth term for President Roosevelt after losing in his own bid for renomination, there are strong indications that the publicly expected repayment in the form of federal appointment has not materialized even backstage.

Wallace and the president have talked together several times since the election but friends of the former insist that nothing definite has been said about the vice-president's future role.

They point out that while Wallace is likely to serve at almost any major post the president might designate, his private financial situation is such that he is no ordinary retiring office holder in need of a job. The earnings of his pioneer Hybrid Corn Company, his writings and his interest in an Iowa farm paper provide him somewhat more than minimum social security.

**May Get Diplomatic Post**

Most recent speculation has centered about the possibility that Wallace would be given a roving diplomatic assignment. Before Wallace left on his journey to Siberia and China last spring as the president's personal representative, Mr. Roosevelt was reported to have told the vice-president he wanted his assistance on important diplomatic matters in the future.

There has been talk also of an ambassadorship for Wallace. An opening at Moscow or Mexico City might be created if the president asked either W. Averell Harriman, ambassador to Russia, or George S. Messersmith, ambassador to Mexico, to become under-secretary of state.

Wallace's friends are inclined to discount the possibility of his being named to a cabinet post, although the vice-president has been quoted by them as entertaining a desire to do so.

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## Frostburg Legion Seeks Credit for War Bond Sales

Plans to Top Post Quota  
and Name a Super-  
fortress

**By RUDOLPH NICKEL**  
FROSTBURG, Dec. 3 — Farrady Post, No. 24, American Legion, is making an effort to have all war bonds sold during the present week at the local banks and post office, together with those delivered to employees by the Consolidated Fuel company, credited to the American Legion.

The idea back of the movement, as explained Sunday afternoon by Samuel Graham, Cumberland, chairman of the district war bond committee, is to reach a quota of \$6,411,000 by the combined posts of the state of Maryland. Each post in the state has been assigned a quota. Ten B-29 Superfortresses will be named for the Legion posts in Maryland who reach their quota. While Friday, December 8, has been designated "American Legion day" in the Sixth War Loan drive, it is the hope of the Frostburg post to have all purchases for the entire week credited to Farrady post, so that Frostburg might achieve its quota and have one of the B-29 Superfortresses named "Farrady Post, American Legion, Frostburg."

Explaining the local plans for the drive, Post Commander Chris Walbert, stated that while Friday, December 8, will be the official "American Legion day," citizens will be asked to have their purchases for the entire week credited to the American Legion.

Arrangements have been made to make an appeal to the citizens of the community in the theaters and at the meetings of local fraternal and civic groups who may hold meetings this week.

William Rankin, vice commander of the Mountain district who attended the meeting here today, stated that giving credit to the American Legion for the sale involves no loss to the purchaser and by so doing each purchaser may help to have one of the army's great B-29 Superfortresses named after Frostburg and its highly regarded post.

### Assist in Campaign

Chester Stewart, exalted ruler of Frostburg Lodge, No. 470, B. P. O. Elks, announced that the local lodge will co-operate with the National Elks war commission campaign to help relieve the serious shortage of nurses in the country's ninety-four veterans' hospitals.

Stewart said that the local campaign, scheduled to start Tuesday, December 5, will be in charge of the War Committee of Frostburg Lodge, headed by Joseph Montana. As chairman of the committee, Montana will study the requirements for applicant nurses and then make an effort to contact local registered nurses and urge them to accept positions in veterans' hospitals and help take care of the wounded men home from the battle fronts.

A special appeal is to be made to women who in recent years have not been following their nursing careers and to those nurses who, because of age or slight physical defects, were not able to qualify for service in the army or navy.

Complete details of the requirements for service with the veterans' administration hospitals, together with information on salaries, promotions, hours, uniforms, quarters and assignments may be obtained from Montana at the Elks home, East Main street.

The Elks war committee is mak-

ing an effort, through contact with local physicians and nurses, to compile a list of names of qualified women in the community.

### Mackay Resigns

Walter E. Mackay, chairman of the Frostburg salvage committee, tendered his resignation to the committee Saturday. He has been head of the committee for nearly two years, succeeding Ralph M. Race, who was inducted into the navy and is now in Pacific.

Mackay's work as head of the committee was regarded as outstanding and resulted in adding considerable money to the treasures of the Boy Scout troops of the Mountain district.

Mackay gave as his reason for resigning increased work and responsibility. He said he would continue to work for the success of salvage collection in the community, but not in the capacity as chairman of the committee.

### Caravan To Visit Here

The Holabird signal depot war bond caravan, scheduled to pass through thirty cities and towns of the state to stimulate interest in the Sixth War Loan drive, will be in Frostburg, Monday, at 3:45 p. m., and will park in front of the Gunter hotel.

John L. Dunkle, chairman of the local drive, will introduce speakers, who will make an appeal to residents to purchase additional war bonds at this time.

### Frostburg Briefs

The Cenchrus missionary circle of St. Paul's Lutheran church will hold its annual Christmas party Tuesday evening, December 5, 7:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Walter Simon, Lutheran parsonage, East Main street.

Lt. and Mrs. Harry Hanson announce the birth of a son Thursday morning in Miners hospital. Mrs. Hanson, the former Miss Eleanor Frizzell, is residing in Lonaconing, while her husband is serving with the marines. He is stationed on the Mojave desert.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Grimes, 113 East Main street, announce the birth of a daughter, Thursday morning, in Miners hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Minnick announce the birth of a daughter, Thursday, November 30, in Miners hospital.

The Junior Guild of St. John's Episcopal church will hold a card party, Wednesday 8 p. m., in the parish house. Eight prizes, donated by local business houses, will be awarded. Tables of bridge and five hundred will be in play. Mrs. John Caldwell, Mrs. Edward Sliger, Mrs. Eugene Smith and Mrs. Joseph Porter are in charge of refreshments.

The Women's guild of Zion Evangelical and Reformed church will hold a Christmas supper party, Tuesday, 5:30 p. m., in the church. Class sisters will be revealed by the exchange of gifts. The program is in charge of Miss Loretta Siefarth, Mrs. Leona Filsinger, Mrs. Sue Thomas and Mrs. Frank Kraus.

Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Clara Walbert, Mrs. Clara Haberlein, Mrs. Etta Thomas and Mrs. Clara Vogtman. The guild recently elected officers to serve for two years as follows: Mrs. Sue Thomas, president; Mrs. Cornelia Lancaster, vice-president, and Mrs. Lena Filsinger, secretary.

Mrs. Francis Richardson was honored with a baby shower Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Donald Jeffries, Ormond street. The feature of the table decorations was a large pink and blue umbrella filled with gifts for Mrs. Richardson's infant son, Thomas. She was also presented with a corsage and a letter with instructions where other gifts might be found after a treasure hunt about the Jeffries home.

Cards were a diversion, prizes being awarded to Mrs. Albert Starley, Mrs. John Walker and Mrs. Robert Lemmett.

Because of the opening of the deer season Monday, causing the absence of many hunters, the regular monthly meeting of the Allegany-Garrett Sportsmen's association has

been postponed from Tuesday, December 12, at the Gunter hotel.

The regular December meeting of the Ladies' guild, St. Paul Lutheran church, will be held at the church Monday evening, December 4, at 7:30 p. m. A report on the recent bazaar will be given and plans will be completed for the Christmas party.

**Personals**

Seaman 1-c Joseph E. Beeman returned to New York after a twenty-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Beeman, Eckhart Mines. He is to be transferred to California.

Mrs. Allen Lewis, Borden Mines, received word that her son, Cpl. John M. Shea, has been transferred from Hawaii to the Isle of Leyte. He was in the invasion of Leyte and escaped without injury.

Harry G. Shupe, Frost avenue, is home after spending the weekend in Baltimore on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Jenkins, West Main street, are home after spending the weekend in Richmond, Va., the guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Wheeler.

Flight Officer Harry R. Payne, in transit from Yuma, Ariz., to Tampa, Fla., is here on a seven-day leave, the guest of his mother, Mrs. Violet Payne, Frost avenue. He received his wings at Yuma, Ariz., November 29.

Mrs. John Carter, who has been a patient in Miners hospital, is reported improving.

Cpl. Elwood Layman has been visiting his brother, Glenn Layman, West Main street.

Cpl. William B. Byers, Fort Belvoir, Va., was here over the weekend, visiting his wife at their home, West Main street.

Miss Charlotte Fram is home from Miners hospital, following an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Stella Nelson Kraus, West Main street, is in El Paso, Texas, visiting her husband, Pvt. Charles Kraus, Port Blis.

Mrs. Celesta Lough and daughter, Linda, are home from Sioux Falls, S. D., where they visited Mrs. Lough's husband, Pvt. Wayne A. Lough, for the past six months.

Pvt. Lough graduated from the Sioux Falls operator mechanics school, November 18, and is now stationed at Yuma, Ariz., where he is beginning a course in aerial gunnery. Pvt. Lough is the son of Mrs. Marguerite Hickman, 127 Ormond street.

Pvt. Gilbert R. Hickman, army engineer, husband of Mrs. Marguerite Hickman, 127 Ormond street, is stationed in England.

**ATTENTION**

All Families Having The Coveted Purple Heart Medal. Purple Heart Plaques for display in window of your home will be presented

Monday, Dec. 4th, 8 P. M.

at the V. F. W. Home, 205 Union Street. These plaques are presented with the compliments of Mountain Chapter, No. 166, M. O. P. H.

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## Charles Snyder Is Wounded

**By DONALD WILSON**

BARTON, Dec. 3—Pfc. Charles F. Snyder, 22, son of Mrs. Marie Snyder and the late Claude Snyder, and husband of Maxine Wilson Snyder, was wounded somewhere in Germany, November 17, according to a telegram received from the War department yesterday.

Pfc. Snyder was inducted into the service April 7, 1943, and sent to Fort Riley, Kans., where he received his basic training. He was later sent to Camp George G. Meade, and from there went to England, arriving there November 1, 1943. He was a member of the First Army. He has been in Germany since September 12, 1944.

Pfc. Snyder attended Barton high school and prior to his induction was employed as a printer with the Barton Job Press.

### W.S.C.S. Will Meet

The December business meeting and Christian party of the W.S.C.S. of Barton Methodist church, will be held in the church school room, December 14. A one-act play entitled "A Candle in the Window" will be presented. Each member is urged to attend.

### Personals

Edward R. Bailey, technician fifth grade, coast artillery, has returned to the adjutant general department, Asheville, N. C., after spending a furlough with his mother, Mrs. George MacDonald. Bailey recently returned from Hawaii where he spent four years. He enlisted in the service in 1940 and was at Pearl Harbor at the time of the Japanese attack.

Pvt. Irvin Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Ross, who received his basic training at Fort Bragg, N. C., has returned to Fort George G. Meade, after spending a furlough with his parents here.

Donald Wilson, Jr., S. C. 3-c, has returned to Ashbury Park, N. J., after spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wilson.

Sgt. Howard Lashbaugh, stationed in North Carolina, is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Lashbaugh.

Pvt. Raymond Porter, Fort Bragg, N. C., has returned to Fort George G. Meade, after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Porter.

A party will be held in the firemen's armory, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Barton Hose Company No. 1.

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## Westernport Man Reported Missing In French Action

Purple Heart Recently Received; Father Is in Seabees

**By GEORGE DADDYSMAN**

WESTERNPORT, Dec. 3—Pfc. George P. DeWitt III, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. George P. DeWitt, 230 Vine street, of the infantry, has been missing in action in France since November 10, according to a message received from the War department by his mother, Friday.

Mrs. DeWitt received the Purple Heart from her son Thursday, addressed to her in his own handwriting. There was no message accompanying it and she had not received any information concerning injuries.

He was inducted into the army September 9, 1943, and received his basic training at Camp Van Dorn, Miss., and was stationed at Fort Dix, N. J., three weeks before going overseas. He arrived in England in March. The last letter she received from him came from France and was dated November 4.

He is a graduate of Bruce high school and was employed at the Celanese plant when he entered the service. He was an Evening and Sunday Times carrier for several years.

His father is a machinist mate second class of the Seabees and was stationed in Hawaii fifteen months. He returned to this country a month ago and has been a medical patient since that time at LeMando, Calif.

**Receives Silver Star**

For gallantry in action on July 11, 1944, near Carentan, France, Sgt. Emil DiUbaldo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew DiUbaldo, Luke, has received the Silver Star.

He entered the service October 14, 1942, and was sent overseas last March. His outfit participated in action at Carentan and St. Lo, and took St. Malo and Dinard in Brittany. His last letter was written in Luxembourg.

A sister, Lt. Virginia DiUbaldo, who joined the army nurse corps last February is at an undisclosed desert location.

Tony A. DiUbaldo, SF 2c, with a navy construction in the Pacific was on Peleliu in the Palau Islands September 24, according to letters received by his parents. Cpl. John DiUbaldo, who was captured by the Japanese in the Philippines, is now a prisoner in Tokyo, Japan.

**Receives Purple Heart**

Pvt. Carl Harshbarger, husband of Mrs. Beatrice Walker Harshbarger, 421 Walnut street, Westernport, and son of Mrs. May Harshbarger Broadwater, and the late Carl Harshbarger, who was wounded in Holland, October 20, has received the Purple Heart, according to a letter received by his wife.

Pvt. Harshbarger, a paratrooper, reports he is back on duty and since being overseas has been in England, Holland, France and Germany.

## Fifty Per Cent Of Lonaconing Quota Collected

Pekin Surpasses Quota;  
Solicitors To Complete Canvass

**By MARIE MERRBACH**

LONACONING, Dec. 3 — James Park, chairman, reports \$1,500 contributed to the Lonaconing War Fund drive, fifty per cent of the quota, \$3,000.

Volunteer solicitors have been making a house-to-house canvass in all districts of the community and it is hoped that the goal will be exceeded by the closing day of the drive, Tuesday, December 5.

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**Synthetic Rubber  
Has Good Prospects**

A PREDICTION made by this newspaper that the synthetic rubber industry in this country would eventually get on its feet despite the competition to be offered by crude rubber seems to be coming true sooner than expected.

High-grade synthetic rubber can be made and marketed immediately after the war on a commercially profitable basis at fifteen cents a pound, or twenty-one per cent under the average price of natural rubber during the past decade, according to a report by Michael J. Saada, Wall Street Journal investigator.

The represents a conservative appraisal by technical experts of the major rubber companies and of the government's Rubber Reserve Corporation, which holds title to all American plants now making general-purpose synthetic, the Buna-S type which constitutes the bulk of all production, Saada states. Admittedly, the price consensus may be on the high side, he adds, as there are rubber executives and experienced technicians who believe that the selling price soon after the war will be thirteen and a half to fourteen cents a pound. The current price of tree rubber fixed by the United States government is 22.5 cents a pound.

The forecasted price figures are startlingly lower than publicly released statistics showing an "average cost" to date of thirty-four cents per pound for Buna-S. But Buna-S has been made with alcohol, or petroleum as a major basic raw material. The alcohol method has been expensive because of the high cost of grain; the petroleum base is relatively cheap. So far, more Buna-S has been made with alcohol, the costly way. Then again, once the wartime policy of producing as much as possible as quickly as possible yields to peacetime commercial operation, the average cost of synthetic will shrink overnight.

The worst obstacle the synthetic industry would have to face, on the basis of past experience, is international cartel interference. During much of modern rubber's history, the commodity has been regulated by one form or another of cartel-like arrangements. From 1922 to 1928 there was the so-called Stevenson plan, which failed in 1928. An International Rubber Regulation Committee was set up in 1934 and officially expired last April 30. This cartel included producing regions held by Great Britain, France, the Netherlands and Spain.

But even so, the synthetic industry has a good chance to compete after the war. It does not expect competition with natural rubber for markets on a price-quality basis immediately after peace comes. All estimates of postwar markets agree that a rubber starved world will need the combined production of both plantations and plants for several years after the war. Thus, the synthetic industry will have a breathing spell of two to three years in which it can bring down its costs and improve the quality of its products; and the progress already made indicates that it will be able to put itself into a strongly fortified position.

**Hat Contest Is Seen  
For New York City**

PRELIMINARY SURVEYS of the mayoralty race in New York city, coming up next year, indicate a hot contest for the prize. The job pays \$40,000 a year, the highest salary received by any public official except the president of the United States.

It is generally assumed that Mayor Fiorello La Guardia will try again. It seems certain that he will have the support of the American Labor party, which polled 388,608 votes in New York city last November 7. But it is not certain that he will have the backing of its right wing off-shoot, the Liberal party, which garnered 303,858 votes.

Should the Democrats name William O'Dwyer, the Liberal party probably will endorse him. The Republicans, after having carried La Guardia's name on their ticket every time he was elected, only to see him oppose Landon, Wilkie and Dewey for president, will nominate their own man next year.

Thus, if La Guardia tries for a fourth term, the contest will be a three-way embroil. Observers agree that such a contest would develop into a horse race.

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**Public Co-operation  
For Postwar Jobs**

EVERY MAN AND WOMAN of every city and town in the United States—every farmer on his farm—is asked to become part of a program that American business is preparing to assure jobs and higher living standards in the postwar period.

Ultimate objective of the long-term program is to create and put into action a process of prosperity, during the postwar period, which will enable Americans to "earn more, buy more, and have more." The six-point program is being carried to the public for acceptance and support by the National Association of Manufacturers, whose 12,000 member companies, large and small, employ nearly-five per cent of all wage earners in manufacturing industry and are producing more than eighty-five per cent of the materials and munitions with which the war is being fought.

"If industry is to proceed at full speed to activate an upward economic trend," said Walter B. Weisberger, vice president of the association, in announcing the plan, "there must be a combination of effort and the realization on the part of the both public and industry that they have an identical goal—jobs and freedom of opportunity. Productive jobs for all who want them in the postwar period are our chief objective. From productive jobs stems buying power, which is the motivating force that turns the wheels of industry."

In the words of the business leaders supporting the program, the people want to reap the full advantage of the action industry will take. The public can play a vital part. When the importance of this step by American business is fully realized by the public, confidence can be entertained that it will play its part.

After the war, we're told, radio will be utilized to cook food and keep it hot. Whoever thought the old-fashioned singing teakettle would give out with the voice of Frank Sinatra.

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I know of one company which had the money and wanted to raise wages ten cents an hour, but was refused permission under the wage freezing order. That company went through its employee list, group by group, reclassifying grade C workers as grade B, and so on, until it had upgraded and readepartmentalized everyone and given them the ten cent increase. It was all within the law, and the basic wage rate was not changed.

How much the steel men will get, nobody knows. Published accounts of the decision said five to seven cents, but this is a Washington estimate. The steel companies themselves do not know.

Days afterward, their economists had not even worked out a probable cost, because many of the concessions in relation to vacations, etc., were left to future negotiation between the companies and the unions.

I judge the union did not fare badly, as CIO president Phil Murray praised the decision.

**Unions Know Game**

What we do know now clearly, however, is that the unions have found out what the game is here. They know how to get their increases, and are pressing along that line.

One other thing we know. This is the nation's fight against economic destruction which, if lost, would be costly as defeat on the battlefield. We can be defeated in it, even if we stick to the Little Steel formula and never change it, solely by circulating more and more money through wage increase devices to evade it.

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**Desperate Stand  
At Gates of Berlin**

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3—People here generally say Mr Roosevelt deserves respect for his courage in standing firm upon his Little Steel wage freezing formula against the CIO unions so soon after his election victory in which CIO loudly participated (and with cash).

His decision was part of the deal by which James Byrnes remained in the right wing of the White House to run war economies until victory in Europe.

Breakage of the wage-freezing formula would have frustrated all Byrnes' efforts to hold economies within the inflationary line, and he would have left the government had it been broken in such a way as to invite a general rising level of wages now.

This inside of the matter naturally was not made public, nor was any genuine thorough understanding of exactly what the government gave the unions.

**Colleges Are Worried**

There have been some interesting discussions this week here between college presidents and military authorities, and the whole story was disclosed. The colleges, to be sure, are very much worried about the plan for a universal military service, not because they oppose the idea itself, but because many of them would like to avoid the interruption between the high school and college period and let military training be taken after graduation from college.

There is, moreover, a traditional prejudice in America against compulsory military service. The War department, however, is insisting that this is not a plan for military service but a plan for military training. Congress, it is pointed out, would have to authorize the use of the trained men in any military service.

Once across the Rhine—a terrible hurdle—there is the Black forest to the south, extending from Freiburg in Baden to Heidelberg, with Vienna beyond Munich and Berlin far to the north.

And above the forest tanks may find the level plains for sweep into the heart of Prussian Germany, if supply holds up and the Germans are sufficiently bled white and disorganized.

There is likelihood that the Germans will make one final desperate stand before the gates of Berlin. But their battle would be a hopeless gesture.

**Super-highways Haunt Hitler**

Adolf Hitler's super-highway system criss-crossing Germany—the "autobahnen"—has begun to haunt him as no other single construction feat during the heyday of the Nazis could possibly plague him.

Recent dispatches from the western front say that German troops lined Hitler's four-lane highways between Aachen and Cologne, via Eischweiler.

Behind this seemingly innocent military item is the story of Hitler's construction of the vaunted "autobahn" road plan of super-highways.

In the Nazi books, these four and five-lane ribbons of concrete, forming a veritable labyrinth of roads throughout the Reich, were to be

**Call It Stipulated**

Actually the present law stipulates that men in the army and women are subject to call after the present war for a period of years.

All in all, it evidently is the plan of the administration to maintain a large standing army after the war composed perhaps of 500,000 regulars and approximately 1,000,000 trained youth who could be called into service when Congress so desired. On top of this would be at least 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 men who are now in the armed forces and who would be subject to call.

Since the United States intends to have a potential army of several million men, it seems probable that Russia will do likewise and very likely that France will create a huge force as well. Britain is expected to concentrate on air forces and navy rather than on a standing army.

The prospect seems to be that the United States will furnish the bulk of the manpower for any future war. There seems to be no getting around the fact that the United States intends to make commitments to police Europe and that, in order to give the president a large enough force to put instantly in action without waiting for a debate in Congress, it will be essential that many millions of men either be kept under arms or in reserve so that they can be immediately called to the colors.

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**War Preventive Seen**

The military mind conceives all this as a preventive of war and argues for it on that basis. Irrespective of the merits of that age-old argument as to whether standing armies prevent wars or provoke them by means of rivalry in armament, the fact is that the United States has been called into European conflict twice in twenty-five years, and if the American people can be convinced that by a system of military training of 18-year-old boys, a third world war will be prevented, they are likely to recommend to their congressmen that they pass such a statute.

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## LaSalle and Fort Hill Courtmen Open 1944-45 Campaigns Friday

Explorers Entertain Central and Sentinels Go to Piedmont; Other Games Carded

The district scholastic basketball season, which opened last week when Piedmont (W. Va.) high turned back Elk Garden (W. Va.) high 22-17, will continue this week with at least a half-dozen teams launching campaigns.

The LaSalle High Explorers, who will defend the city championship, and the Fort Hill High Sentinels are slated to pry off the lid Friday night. LaSalle will entertain the Central High Tigers, of Lonaconing, on the SS. Peter and Paul school court and Fort Hill will travel to Piedmont to meet Coach "Huck" Mier's outfit.

It was previously announced that LaSalle would play Paw (W. Va.) high in its opener Thursday night but Brother Justin, Explorer athletic director, said at night that the tilt will be played later in the season.

Wednesday night, Oakland high boys' and girls' outfits will go to Terra Alta, W. Va., to open their season against Terra Alta high combinations.

Friday evening, Fort Ashby (W. Va.) high will get under way by meeting an Alumni combination and Bruce high of Westerport, will initiate its program by opposing Elk Garden at Elk Garden, W. Va.

The LaSalle squad has been cut to fifteen players, including six holdovers from the 1943 aggregation. The veterans are Seniors Joe Beckner, Ray Shaffer and Ed Gunning; Juniors Jack Steiner and Ed Malloy, and Sophomore Tommy Geatz.

Others making up the squad are Frank Niland, Karl Muller and Thomas Carroll, Juniors; Jack Kauffman, senior, and Robert Vandenhout, Harry Hart, Francis Flynn,

**Randolph Field, Second Air Force Meet in Bond Game**

**Service Elevens Will Clash at New York on December 16**

By TED MEIER

NEW YORK, Dec. 3 (P)—A "Treasury Bond bowl" football game, pitting the mighty unbeaten and untied Randolph Field Ramblers, of Texas, against the Second Air Force Superbombers, of Colorado Springs, Colo., at the Polo Grounds on Dec. 16 was announced today.

In making the announcement the Sixth War Loan Sports committee said admission will be through the purchase of war bonds, plus payment of \$2 for army relief purposes. The anticipated crowd of 50,000 is expected to contribute almost \$60,000 in bond sales. The Army-Navy clash at Baltimore on Saturday netted \$58,637,000 in bonds.

A official of the Treasury's War Finance committee said the bond-scale of tickets will be announced later this week, but added that the majority of the seats would go to purchasers of \$25, \$50 and \$100 series E Bonds.

Bond buyers in the higher denominations are expected to purchase a large block of seats and distribute them to servicemen in the New York area with those recently returned from overseas getting the first call. Arrangements also are being made for convalescent patients from navy, army, marine corps and merchant marine hospitals to attend.

Piling up 408 points in nine games while yielding only one touchdown, Randolph Field last week was voted the No. 1 service team in the Associate Press poll. The Ramblers have one game left to play against the Fourth air force (March field) at Los Angeles next Sunday. So far the Ramblers have bowled over Rice, Texas, North Texas Aggies twice, Camp Polk, Third air force, Maxwell field, Southwestern and Amarillo army air base.

The Superbombers, sparked by Lt. Glenn Dobbs, formerly of Tulsa, have won ten games, lost two and tied one with one game still to play next Sunday at Atlanta, Ga., against the Third air force.

**Independent Quint Will Drill Tonight**

The recently-organized Cumberland independent basketball team, managed by Bruce Lee, will practice this evening at the Central Y.M.C.A. and Wednesday night will scrimmage with the Fort Hill high varsity at the Sentinel gym.

According to Lee, the American Legion is considering the matter of sponsoring the team. Lee said he has already made contracts for games with teams in Baltimore and Hagerstown and added that he would like to hear from independent clubs from points outside of Cumberland. Teams interested are asked to communicate with Lee at his home, Narrows Park, or by calling 3080 during the day and 3698 after 6 p. m.

**Queen City Brewers Have Turkey Dinner**

Members of the Queen City Brewer baseball squad and their wives were guests at a turkey dinner given by the Pen-Mar League champions last Saturday night at the LaVale fire hall. Forty attended the annual affair.

C. A. Smith, team business manager, was master of ceremonies and short talks were made by the players. Also attending was Captain Robert "Bobby" Doak, former Brewer star now in the service.

It was announced that the team had a successful season financially. During the evening, it was revealed that the Queen City Brewery, the club's sponsor, will award each player with a jacket. Dancing followed the dinner.

**Daley Paces Amphis To Win over Gremlins**

AUSTIN, Tex.—(P)—Big Bill Daley paced the giant Fort Pierce Navy Amphis football team to a 7-6 victory over the Third Air Force Gremlins before an estimated 11,000 shivering fans at Phillips field to-day.

His brilliant sixty-one-yard touch-down run in the final thirty seconds of the first half, followed by Les Brucker's perfect placement for the extra point, gave the Amphis their margin of victory, an perfect record of eight wins this season.

Coaches of the teams draw about \$1,000,000 every year in salaries; and about 2,500,000 spectators are attracted each season to the Texas grandstands.

## Question of Army Team's Greatness Is Open to Debate

**Cadets Wrap Up National Title by Defeating Navy, 23-7**

By FRITZ HOWELL  
BALTIMORE, Dec. 3 (P)—Just how good is the United States Military Academy football team which locked up the national championship yesterday by beating Navy 23 to 7?

Some experts are rating it as one of the best ever to represent the Army, while others point to the lack of opposition due to the war and say the rugged, rampaging Cadets appear great only because of that lack, and perhaps could not dominate the peace-time fields.

But it's certain the gray-grabbed lads are the greatest scorers in West Point history. Their twenty-three-point total against the talent-filled Navy team was the fourth highest in the forty-five-game rivalry with the Middies, and ran the Cadet nine-game total for the year to 504—an average of fifty-six per game.

No team came close to them, although Navy made a game of it through three thrill-packed periods yesterday before the Cadets surged away to two quick touchdowns early in the last session.

**Blanchard, Davis Star**

A crowd of 70,000 which bought more than \$58,000,000 in war bonds was awed at the Army juggernaut, with Plebe Fullback Felix (Doc) Blanchard and Halfback Glenn Davis at the throttle, went over, around and through the Middie forward wall which had been tabbed as the best in the land.

The conquest gave Army twenty-three victories, against nineteen losses and three ties, in the long series with the Middies, clinched the national laurels and gave the military academy its first perfect season since 1916.

Along with the team crown, the Cadets wrapped up the national individual scoring laurels as Davis romped fifty yards for his twentieth touchdown and hundred and twenty-third point in the final quarter, and Halfback Dick Walterhouse's three-point-after-touchdown conversions ran his total to forty-seven in fifty-nine attempts, erasing the old national record of forty-four.

As expected, Navy proved the toughest foe on Army's slate, the Cadet total of twenty-three points being the lowest of the year for the victors. Army had only a dozen first downs to Navy's nine, but outgained the Middies 210 to eighty-six yards on the ground, and intercepted five passes as Navy completed seven of twenty tries for ninety-one yards.

Two of the interceptions led to touchdowns as the alert and opportunistic West Pointers crashed in on the breaks.

**Hamberg Is Navy Spark**

Hal Hamberg, Navy's brilliant passing-running 150-pounder, wound up his grid career gloriously although on the losing side. It was his fine work which paced Navy to victory in 1942 and 1943 over Army as the Middies ran up a five-year winning streak in the academy classsic.

The little fellow played about forty-five minutes, carried the ball fifteen times and completed seven of fifteen passes. He was a tower on defense too, and the game might have been a rout but for him. Bob Jenkins, his alternate and Navy's No. 1 ground-gainer, was hurt in the opening minutes and he was sidelined except for a brief flurry in the final period when he tossed a single pass which Army intercepted.

Navy, in absorbing its third defeat in nine games, showed only one offensive flash. That came in the third period when, behind 9-0, the Middies marched and passed seventeen yards to a touchdown with Clyde Scott, of Smackover, Ark., gaining the last tough yard. In that game were three Hamberg passes to as many different receivers, eating up forty-five yards.

Outside of that, Navy got inside Army's forty-five-yard line only once, twice in the second period and once in the fourth, but intercept passes halted the Middies on the twenty-seven and forty-three.

"Y" Sunday School Loop Race Opens

The 1944-45 Central Y.M.C.A. Sunday School Basketball League season was launched Saturday afternoon on the "Y" court with St. Paul's defending champions, Calvary Methodist, Grace Baptist, First Presbyterian and Grace Methodist scoring victories. St. Luke's was idle.

St. Paul's, sparked by Mervin Cox's fifteen points, defeated First Methodist 36-6. Grace Baptist topped St. Mark's 15-10 in the closest game of the afternoon. Calvary Methodist trounced United Brethren 40-12. Episcopal outclassed Trinity 56-6. First Baptist walloped Centenary 32-12. Presbyterian turned back St. John's 25-17 and Grace Methodist won over Davis Memorial 32-21.

Sharing scoring honors were R. Livingood, of First Baptist, and T. Davis, of Episcopal, each with twenty points. Lattimer marked up eighteen of the thirty-two markers made by Grace Methodist.

**Coaches Draw Million Promoting Kid Football**

AUSTIN, Tex.—(P)—More than 600 high schools were enrolled this year in the Texas Interscholastic League, an organization sponsored by the University of Texas to promote "kid" football.

In prewar days more than 800 schools were registered, and in the twenty-four years that the league has operated 11,561 teams have participated. About 165,000 boys have performed.

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## Midget League Launches First Court Campaign

**Three Local Clubs and Frostburg Capture Opening Battles**

By FRITZ HOWELL  
MIDGET LEAGUE Standing of Clubs W. L. Pts.

Revenuers ..... 1 0 1,000  
F. Market ..... 1 0 1,000  
Frostburg ..... 1 0 1,000  
Fort Hill PBC ..... 1 0 1,000  
Big Five ..... 0 1 1,000  
Pirates ..... 0 1 1,000  
Allegany PBC ..... 0 1 1,000  
Diplomats ..... 0 1 1,000

YEAR-END RESULTS

Revenuers 38 Diplomats 17  
South End Market 36 Allegany PBC 14  
Frostburg 28 Pirates 11  
Fort Hill PBC 26 Big Five 24

O—  
Pirates vs. Allegany PBC.  
Revenuers vs. Fort Hill PBC.  
Big Five vs. Diplomats

Game Thursday  
South End at Frostburg

O—  
The Midget League opened its first basketball season on the SS. Peter and Paul school court yesterday with three of the seven local teams and Frostburg scoring victories. After the program, it was announced that 185 fans paid to see the contests.

Frostburg, the only out-of-town quint in the loop, turned back the Pirates 28-11. The Revenuers defeated the Diplomats 38-17. South End Market whipped the Allegany Police Boys' Club 36-14 and the Fort Hill Police Boys' Club edged out Roeder's Big Five 28-24 in the best game of the afternoon.

The Frostburg crew led 7-2, 11-7 and 22-9 at the quarters with Faraday pacing the winners with ten points. No Pirate tosser had more than a single field goal.

The Revenuers, in front 11-1, 16-3 and 27-9 at the quarters, were sparked by Carney with eight markers. J. Kline and Ford had each seven for the Diplomats.

South End led the Allegany PBC 8-6 at the start, 14-6 in the half and 27-8 at the end of the third period. Sidaway caged eighteen of the visitors' points while H. Widdowson had nine for the Allegany PBC.

The Fort Hill PBC and the Big Five waged a nip-and-tuck battle with the score tied 5-5 at the quarter and the Big Five in front 16-9 at the half and 21-16 at the end of the third round. In the last heat, the Fort Hill PBC made a dozen points to the Big Five's four. B. Richard had eleven markers for the winners and Kerr sixteen for the losers.

The race will resume Wednesday night on the SS. Peter and Paul floor with the Pirates playing the Allegany PBC at 7 o'clock. The Revenuers opposing the Fort Hill PBC at 8 and the Big Five tangling with the Diplomats at 9. Lou Baker will referee all three games.

Thursday night at 8 o'clock Frostburg will be host to the South End Market five. Yesterday's lineups:

Diplomats G F.G. Pts.  
J. Landenburg ..... 1 0-1 2  
J. Kline, I. ..... 1 0-1 2  
N. Lee, I. ..... 1 0-1 2  
S. Ford, G ..... 3 1-2 4  
R. Will, G ..... 0 1-0 1

Totals ..... 6 5-8 17  
F.G. Pts. ..... 17

Revenuers G F.G. Pts.  
Hines, f ..... 3 1-1 2  
Bazell, f ..... 3 1-1 2  
Mahan, f ..... 3 1-1 2  
Mattingly, g ..... 1 0-0 0  
Carney, sub ..... 4 0-0 0  
Ritter, sub ..... 0 0-0 0

Totals ..... 17 17 38

South End Market G F.G. Pts.  
Larrick, f ..... 2 0-1 2  
Mangus, f ..... 2 0-1 2  
Rawlings, g ..... 1 0-1 2  
Clay, g ..... 0 0-0 0  
Poling, sub ..... 0 0-0 0  
Gibson, sub ..... 0 0-0 0  
Corbin, sub ..... 0 0-0 0

Totals ..... 5 0-0 17

Frostburg G F.G. Pts.  
H. Widdowson, f ..... 5 0-1 2  
Thomas, f ..... 3 0-1 2  
Stewart, c ..... 3 0-1 2  
C. Johnson, c ..... 0 0-0 0  
Collins, g ..... 1 0-0 0  
Kelly, g ..... 1 0-0 0  
Cunningham, sub ..... 1 0-0 0  
Mower, sub ..... 0 0-0 0  
Slusher, sub ..... 0 0-0 0  
Woods, sub ..... 0 0-0 0  
Soehner, sub ..... 0 0-0 0

Totals ..... 14 0-0 28

Allegany PBC G F.G. Pts.  
Price, f ..... 0 0-0 0  
H. Widdowson, f ..... 4 0-1 2  
B. Mace, c ..... 1 0-0 0  
S. Robertson, g ..... 0 0-0 0  
Wright, sub ..... 0 0-0 0

Totals ..... 5 0-0 14

Fort Hill PBC G F.G. Pts.  
R. Anderson, f ..... 3 1-0 2  
L. Kimble, f ..... 2 0-1 2  
H. House, c ..... 1 0-0 0  
E. House, g ..... 1 0-0 0  
B. Richard, g ..... 5 1-1 2

Totals ..... 10 4-1 28

Referees—Herboldsheimer and Baker.

Allegany PBC vs. Fort Hill PBC

Revenuers vs. Allegany PBC

South End Market vs. Allegany PBC

Frostburg vs. Allegany PBC

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South

# Music of Worship Program Returns To Radio Network

Numerous Guests Are Booked for Drama and Concerts

By C. E. BUTTERFIELD

NEW YORK, Dec. 3 (P)—Further shifting of the MBS schedule in several periods during the week is bringing Music of Worship back to the network Monday night. It will go on at 9:30 in the time formerly occupied by the University of Chicago's Human Adventure dramas. That program is moving to Wednesdays.

Music of Worship, conducted by Frederick Dvorchak and with guest soloists, is made up entirely of sacred compositions.

With Morton Downey away from the air for a service camp and hospital tour, his Blue series, Mondays through Fridays at 3 is being turned over to guests. This week it will be the baritone, Earl Wrightson.

## Drama Guests

The guest dramas on Monday will have this lineup: NBC 8 Cavalcade of America; Lana Turner as "Doughnut Girl," a Red Cross drama; CBS 9 Radio Theater, Robert Montgomery, along with Lorraine Day, in "The Unguarded Hour," a murder story. CBS 10 Screen Guild Players, Clark Gable in "China Seas," based on the film.

Jascha Heifetz, violinist, is to make a return guesting to the Don Voorhees concert on NBC at 9. A new composition by Elizabeth Firestone, 21-year-old daughter of Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., will be the feature of the Howard Barlow concert on NBC at 8:30. It is "Rhapsody Moderns." Soloist of the program is Gladys Swarthout.

Arthur's Playhouse of NBC now goes on at 11:30, a half-hour earlier. This time it will do H. G. Wells' "The Inexperienced Ghost." Tallulah Bankhead is the invited guest for Frank Sinatra's program on CBS at 8:30.

**Some Early Offerings**

NBC—12:30 p. m. United States Navy Band; 2:45 p. m. Hymns of All Churches.

CBS—11:15 a. m. Second Husband; 2:15 p. m. Two on a Clue; 4:30 Raymond Scott show.

BLUE—10:30 a. m. Cliff Edwards' Uke; 1 p. m. Baukage talks; 3:15 p. m. Appointment with Life; 5 Hour of kiddies' serials.

MBS—12:15 p. m. Music Mixers; 1:45 p. m. American Woman's Jury; 3:30 Smoothies; 4:45 Handy Man.

## The Radio Clock

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

Eastern War Time P. M.—Subtract One Hour for CWT, 2 Hrs for MWT. Changes in programs are due to corrections in books made too late to incorporate.

8:45—Front Page, Serial—nbc—the Wilderness Road, Serial Drama—cbs Capt. Midnight, a Sketch—blu-east His Heart in His Eyes—blu-west Tom Mix, Serial Series—mba 6:00—News Report for 15 Mins—nbc Quincy Howe and News Time—chb 8:30—Helen Hayes Serial Sketch—blu-blue Ridge on the Try—blu-west 9:00—Merrie's Music Shop—nbc-basic "I Love a Mystery" Drama—cbs Horace Hecht & His Orchestra—blu-Polka Dot Parade—blu-west 10:15—War News from the World—nbc Hilda Hopper from Hollywood—cbs 10:30—It's Announced (G. Simms)—mba 10:30—Caravan—Serial—blu-west Bob Hawley & Quis Show—basic Dancing Music Hall Hour—other chb 10:30—Hondo—Drama of the West—blu-Building Better Adventures—chb 7:45—Kaleidoscope and Comment—nbc 8:00—The Cavalcade of America—nbc Vox Pop by Parks and Warren—chb 8:30—The Story of the War—blu-west Cecil Brown's News Comment—mba 8:15—Lum and Abner Serial Skit—blu-Sunny Skylar Song Serenade—mba 8:30—Howdy Partner—Comin'—blu-Jane Sinatra's Radio Times—chb 8:30—Helen Hayes Show—blu-west 8:30—Five Minutes News Period—chb 9:00—The Story of the War—blu-west Cecil B. De Mille Radio Theatre—chb Counter Spy Drama of the War—blu-Gabriel Heatter and Comment—mba 9:15—The Story of the War—blu-west 9:30—Information Please, a Quiz—nbc Spotlight Bands, Guest Orches—blu-Music of Worship—Concert—mba 9:45—Film, Milt Street—chb 10:00—Contented Concert Orchestra, the Screen Guild Players & Guest—chb Raymond Gram Swing Comment—blu-Ted Malone From Overseas—blu Paul Schubert's War Comment—mba 10:30—Doc, I.Q. and Quiz Series—nbc The Jimmy Durante Show—blu-west Bob Hope, Out Rep—other chb Melody Comes From the Night—blu-Dance Orchestra for 30 Mins—mba 11:00—News for 45 Minutes—nbc-basic 11:15—War News from the World—nbc News, Variety, Dance 5—chb & blu-News reel, Dance Orches, 3 hr—mba 11:15—Variety and News to 1 a.m.—nbc

## Midland Sailor Completes Courses

By WILLIAM WILSON

MIDLAND, Dec. 3—William C. Carleton Knippenburg, ARM 3-c. son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Knippenburg, Midland, after several months of preparatory work in naval training schools, has completed the final phase of his training and is now a naval aircrewman, qualified to wear the navy aircrew wings.

Having completed operational training at the Hutchinson naval air station, he will fly as a member of the crew of one of the navy's Liberator patrol-bombers.

**Pythian Sisters Meet**

Myrtle Temple No. 2, Pythian Sisters, observed its annual roll call Thursday evening at its regular meeting. Twenty-five members were present. Communications were read from out-of-town members who could not attend to answer to their name in person.

Visitors included Mrs. Nellie Miller, grand mistress of finance; Mrs. Molle Williams and Mrs. Hannah Grindle, past chiefs of Morning Star temple, Lonaconing, and Mrs.

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Scenes: One of the toughest dives in the lower part of town. Time: 3 A.M.

Well, this was to have been the night we droned Snowflake—but that Ham actor closed the show.

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THERE'S NOBODY IN HERE BUT A STEW, SHAKY.

WHO DID YOU SAY HE WAS, CHARLIE?

AW, JUST SOME SCREWBALL! WANT ME TO Toss HIM OUT?

UH? (GULP) DO YOU GUYS SEE WHAT I SEE?

CREEPERS AT LEAST HE'S GOT DOUGH!

MY DOVE, MY DOVE

GOODNIGHT!.... HIS WORST FEARS ARE REALIZED!... EVEN A LADY PRESIDENT OF THIS ALL-LADY AVIATION ORGANIZATION!

WELL, THEY AREN'T QUITE HIS WORST FEARS.

SHE ISN'T NEARLY THE BATTLE-AX HE HAD EXPECTED!

Chapman, of Calanthe temple, Frostburg.

Members of Myrtle temple met today in the Red Men's hall to practice initiatory ceremonies to be held at their next meeting, December 7.

**Personals**

In a communication received by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Taylor from the government they learned that their son, Pfc. Charles F. Taylor, who has been hospitalized in Italy for several months, returned to active service November 2.

Mrs. Jennie Blair and Mrs. Hiland Scott, Fairmont, W. Va.

Hugh McMillan has returned home after spending several weeks as a patient at Allegany Hospital, where he underwent an appendectomy.

John McMahon has been recently promoted to the rank of corporal.

Goeblins insists history cannot be so unjust as to let Germany lose

Evidently he overlooks the fact that the job of making history now is in unfriendly hands.

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IS THERE A SURGEON  
IN TH' HOUSE?  
WHO KNOWS HOW TO CARVE  
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DEAR NOAH—WHEN THE  
DOCTORS HAVE THEIR  
ANNUAL DANCE, IS IT  
CALLED A "MEDICINE  
BALL?"  
DOC TRAINOR,  
CHICAGO, ILL.

DEAR NOAH—IF OUR  
SOLDIERS ARE ALWAYS  
GRIPPING, IS IT BECAUSE  
FOOT BALL PLAYERS  
JUST KICK AND RUN?  
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By CHIC YOUNG

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JACK HANSON!

WELL, OF ALL PEOPLE—BUZ SAWYER!

SURE.

GOOD OLD BUZZO! KNEW HIM IN PENSACOLA. SOON AS WE GET SQUARED AWAY, JIMMY, ASK HIM TO COME UP.

Roy Crane 12-4

## BARNEY GOOGLE AND SNUFFY SMITH

Between Two Fires.

By BILLY DeBECK

I'M PLUMB FED UP WIF THIS INFUNNEL JAP ISLANT, HAWKY-TAWKY!!

ROG CASSWELL

SIMMER DOWN, SNUFFY!!

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A T-Bone Special

By BRANDON WALSH

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LOOK ZERO—HERE COMES MR. LEROY—I'LL BETCHA HE'LL BE GLAD WHEN I TELL HIM WE'RE GONNA HAVE A SWELL STEAK TONIGHT—

DARRELL MCCLURE

By HAM FISHER

A HARD SMASH TO THE LEFT SIDE AND GRUMPOPSKI DROPPED HIS GUARD FOR AN INSTANT...

A LIGHTNING RIGHT HOOK AND THE PHARMACIST'S MATE WENT TO HIS KNEES...

AS THE REFEREE COUNTS TWO, THE BELL RINGS, GRUMPOPSKI SEEMS TO HAVE RECOVERED FROM THE BLOW...

JOE PALOOKA

Dropped Guard

By LES FORGRAVE

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